AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Per the Office's comments in the Office Action of March 31, 2005, please amend Fig. 1 as indicated in the attached Mark-up Sheet and Replacement Sheet to include "Prior Art" (see MPEP §608.02(g)).

REMARKS

Applicant graciously appreciates the Office's attention to the instant application. In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the subject application.

This amendment is believed to be fully responsive to all issues raised in the March 31, 2005 Office Action. As mentioned above, claims 1 and 8 are currently amended, claims 6 and 10 are canceled and claims 15-20 are new. Claims 1-5, 7-9 and 11-20 are pending. Corrections to the drawings are also included.

In the Drawings

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In the Claims

In the Office Action of March 31, 2005 claims 6, 7 and 10 were objected as being dependent on a rejected base claim but otherwise allowable and claims 1-5, 8-9 and 11-14 were rejected. Applicant currently amends claims 1 and 8, cancels claims 6 and 10 and adds new claims 15-20.

Claim 1 is currently amended to represent dependent claim 6 as an independent claim and claim 6 is canceled. Claim 8 is currently amended to represent claim 10 as an independent claim and claim 10 is canceled. Claim 15 is added to represent claim 7 as a new independent claim. Claim 16-20 depend on claim 15 and represent claims 2-6.

Conclusion

30 Claims 1-5, 7-9 and 11-20 are pending and believed to be in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt

issuance of the present application. Should any issue remain that prevents immediate issuance of the application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney to discuss the unresolved issue.

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MARK-UP SHEET 1/4 FIG. 1 (PRIDE ART) TA TRANSMA 12 16-18 FIG. 2 26-FIG. 3 34-*32*